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Anne K. Quinlan, Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
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**Re: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub. No. 271X), Norfolk Southern Railway  
Company – Abandonment Exemption - in Wyoming and Genesee Counties,  
New York – Request for Extension of Consummation Date Deadline**

Dear Ms Quinlan:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) hereby requests that the Board grant NSR an extension of the deadline date to consummate abandonment of the 4.50-mile rail line that was the subject of the captioned proceeding. The line extends between milepost UG 360.20 (Alexander) and milepost UG 364.70 (Attica), in Wyoming and Genesee Counties, New York.

The trail use negotiation period granted in the Board's decision served on September 24, 2008 expired on March 22, 2009. The trail use sponsor has not asked for an extension of time nor have they advised NSR of their intention to do so. All conditions imposed by the Board have been fulfilled. NSR cannot consummate the abandonment before 60 days from the end of the trail use negotiation period because salvage activities cannot be completed and title to some of the property cannot be fully investigated and confirmed within that time.

Under these circumstances, NSR requests that the Board grant to NSR an extension of the deadline date to consummate the abandonment in the proceeding to March 25, 2010. If the salvage is complete before that time, NSR will advise the Board and consummate the abandonment.

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Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Paschall", written in a cursive style.

James R. Paschall

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